

Appl. No. 10/731,108

REMARKS

Claim 1 is amended. Claims 16-44 are cancelled. New claims 45-51 are added. Claims 1-15 and 45-51 are pending in the application.

In response to the Examiner's request for invention restriction, applicant elects without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group I (claims 1-15). Claims 16-44 are appropriately cancelled. With respect to the Examiner's request for species restriction within the elected group, applicant elects to prosecute the species wherein R_1 contains two carbon atoms, and wherein R_2 contains a single carbon atom.

Applicant notes that claim 1 is a linking claim encompassing all "parts" (as defined by the Examiner) of claim 1 and dependent claims 2-15, and also new claims 45-51 which depend from claim 1. Claim 1 is also generic.

Applicant requests substantive examination of pending claims 1-15 and 45-51.

Respectfully submitted,

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